tallying. We have given the names of all the applicants and we have also given the names of candidates who have been chosen for the respective posts. The applications may be for this, that or anything else.

230. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state the names of officers on Rs. 101 and above who were taken into the State service during the last 4 years who were given exemptions from minimum qualifications and from age-limit giving their date of birth and the age at the time of appointment?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—From the information collected, it is seen there are only three such officers.

1. Mr. O. R. Chummar, M. A. & B. L., Sub-Magistrate, Talappalli.

2. Mr. Palakkath Narayana Menon, B. A., & B. L., Munsiff-Magistrate, Cranganur.

They are only acting and so the question of exemption from age-limit in their case has not come up for consideration.

3. Mr. U. Kandar Menon, B. A., and B. L., Devaswam Commissioner.

Date of birth, 10th Kanni 1054.

Age at the time of appointment, 48.

Retirement of Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar from service.

231. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar, Diwan Peishkar, has been asked by the Government to retire; if so, what are the reasons for the Government to retire him compulsorily; what was the communication issued to him, if any, about this matter;

(b) what was the cause of his retirement as stated in his application; a copy of the application may be kindly placed on the Table;

(c) has he submitted memorials to the Government or to the Diwan pointing out his grievances in respect of any appointment superseding him; if so, will the Government be pleased to place copies of the same on the Table of the House;

(d) had the Government or the Diwan any occasion to pass adverse remarks on his conduct during his long official career of very nearly 34 years; if so, when and what are the remarks?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) and (b). He was permitted to retire from service with reference to his application, dated 14th January 1929, a copy of which is appended. (*Vide Appendix VI.*)

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(c) and (d). These relate to matters of a confidential nature and the information sought for cannot be disclosed.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—May I know from which camp of the Diwan was this application received? Appendix VI gives the camp number.

President.—It is not the Diwan's camp.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—He has served the application and it is the camp number of the Diwan. He cannot have a number.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It is the Diwan Peishkar's camp number.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—It is a personal matter. He cannot give a number. It is the place where the petition was received.

President.—The Diwan has nothing to do with the camp number.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Was there any interview between the Diwan and Mr. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar where it was suggested that it was better for him to resign?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—With regard to (c) and (d) the answer is 'these relate to matters of a confidential nature and the information sought for cannot be disclosed'. I have my doubts whether this won't come under that.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—To my question whether he has been asked by the Government to retire the answer is he was permitted to retire. That is no answer to my question.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The application is there. You can know from that whether there was any compulsion on the part of the Government.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Whether there was any request from the Government that it is better that he retires?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No further answer is necessary in view of the wording of the application fixing the date of the voluntary retirement.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Voluntary retirement when he is forced to retire?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—How can he be forced?

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—If he is to be dismissed, it is better for him to retire.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—There is no question of dismissal here.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Was there a formal application for privilege leave after this?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I want notice on that point.

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Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Was there not an application for furlough after this?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I want notice on that point as well.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—May I know whether a communication was sent by a messenger that he should send in his application while the Diwan was camping at Irinjalakkuda?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—This too comes under the same thing, matters of a confidential nature.

Special Officer for Harbour and Railways.

232. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(1) what the pay per mensem of Mr. P. Damodara Menon was while he was Special Officer ;

(2) what the amount he drew as T. A. during the period ;

(3) what were his duties as Special Officer ;

(4) who was looking to these duties before him;

(5) who is attending to them after his release;

(6) what urgent works did he attend to during the period?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.— (1) He was given a special deputation allowance of Rs. 300 per mensem in addition to his substantive pay of Rs. 550 per mensem.

(2) Rupees 1,058-14-0.

(3) He was attending to Harbour, Railways and allied matters.

(4) Before this the Diwan Peishkar and the Chief Engineer were attending to these duties.

(5) The officers mentioned in (4) above.

(6) He was attending to the questions of:—

1. the conversion of the Shoranur-Cochin Railway into broad gauge;

2. the Trichur-Kollengode Railway line;

3. the alignment of the Palghat-Pollachi Railway so as to serve the needs of Tattamangalam and Chittur;

4. the verification of the reclamations made near Venduruthi;

5. the allocation of sites near the Venduruthi reclaimed area, and

6. the Cochin Port limits.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Were there any special reasons for this appointment?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—What are they?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—To attend to the duties connected with the limits and jurisdiction of the Port, starting of

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APPENDIX VI.

(Vide answer to Question No. 231.)

Application Camp No. A/ 1104, dated 14th January 1929, from M. R.Ry., Rao Sahib T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar Avl., Diwan Peishkar.

I have the honour to request permission, under Article 205 of the Cochin Service Regulations, to retire voluntarily from service from 7th Mithunam 1104, the date on which I complete full 34 years of qualifying superior service, or from such earlier date as the Government may be pleased to permit me.

2. I request also that preliminary to my retirement, any short privilege leave that may be due to me may be kindly granted.

3. I shall put in my formal application for privilege leave and my pension application, on receipt of orders fixing the date of my voluntary retirement.

APPENDIX VII.

(Vide answer to Question No. 236.)

Statement showing allotment, expenditure and lapse on irrigation works for the last ten years.

Year	Original budget allotment Rs.	Expenditure Rs. as. ps.	Lapse
		Public Works Department.	It is difficult to work out the lapses since the original allotment noted in column 2 underwent transfers during the course of the different years noted in the statement.
1094	61,732	76,951 10 1	
1095	62,348	72,791 3 0	
1096	71,983	73,811 14 7	
1097	81,436	63,439 15 3	
1098	1,00,927	57,399 7 1	
1099	1,26,659	56,399 15 11	
1100	1,40,514	1,06,902 6 3	
1101	1,14,751	84,986 15 4	
1102	1,47,982	1,47,758 14 11	
1103	1,21,093	1,03,454 8 8	
		Panchayat.	
1094	...	...	
1095	..	...	
1096	...	..	
1097*	15,276	14,723 4 9	
1098	15,816	13,600 1 10	
1099	13,950	9,740 12 6	
1100	13,683	18,916 7 3	
1101	19,266	11,662 3 1	
1102	17,821	9,089 10 1	
1103	19,439	16,259 14 11	

* Irrigation works used to be provided in the Panchayat budget only from 1097 onwards.

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